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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated February 22, 2006 in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following remarks. This response is being filed concurrently with a petition for a three-month extension of time.

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Amendments to the specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims beginning on page 4 of this paper.

## **AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS**

Amendments to the drawings begin on page 10 of this paper and include both an attached replacement sheet and an annotated sheet showing changes.